



Food security is a term used to represent the accessibility of people towards food that is affordable, safe, provides the recommended dietary intake and is culturally acceptable. Another instance of food insecurity is when people are unable to attain the nutrition they should receive despite the ability to attain the food readily. Makwanpur district with such a low population density is facing challenges of food insecurity. To prevent such situation the government and other line agencies should join hand in hand and support community based action to mitigate the problem of food insecurity in Makwanpur.

Some of the major Roles of ETSC-N are as;

- ✓ *Advocacy on Right to food*
- ✓ *To be a catalyst of change*
- ✓ *Community groups mobilization*
- ✓ *Seek for Justice*
- ✓ *Focus on solving long term problem*

World Food Day Celebration 2012

The world food day was celebrated along with the district line agencies, i.e. district agriculture and Parivartan Nepal. Makwanpur district is still lacking for the modern way of farming with adequate amount of food. Makwanpur district is ranked as the food insecurity zone.



ETSC-N Participating Rally



District Level Stakeholders Meeting

Food insecurity is affecting the life of people, mostly from the chepang and bankariya tribe.

There is a great need to address the problem of food security as its prevalence rate is high.

Makwanpur:

Makwanpur district of total area 2426 square km with population density 160 per square km is under a serious threat of food insecurity. Every year there is high price raise in market but still the farmers are not able to reach to get fair price for their harvest in the market. There are 43 VDC's including a Municipality. More than 70% of the people based on agriculture, but food availability and price of daily needs are not easily affordable to all. Even people involved in food production are not adequately feed.

ETSC-N is working out in favour of farmers in these issues to increase food security.

ETSC-N initiative on world Food Day:

ETSC was co-organizer of events with District Agriculture office and Parivertan Nepal.

At the occasion ETSC-N presents the brief survey study on the impacts of Hetauda Cement of 5VDC's namely Padampokhari, Handikhola, Churiyamai, Hatiya, Harnamadi of Makwanpur.

The dust of cement caused overwhelming impact on crop production, animal health and people's health too. This has directly violated the right to food of people. ETSC appeal to all the stakeholder representatives to take action in favour of people to protect food rights. The participant's representatives were from Political parties, Farmer organization, World Food Programme, farmer groups of VDC's, journalist, Chief of District Agriculture office and FIAN-Nepal representative.

Love your neighbour as thy self.



Plants and crops affected by the Hetauda Cement dust.



Training on food security.

Case studies:

"A veterinary doctor in his interview narrated, "Due to adverse dust nowadays some animals had lost their power of productivity". During the interview, he told that there is acute respiratory problem in animals too."



Interview with the Vet and school teacher on food security

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Learning:

Some important learning's of ETSC-N are as mentioned below

- ✓ Extra financial support as a reserve fund is required during implementation of project
- ✓ Need of social networks that could break the structural irregularities
- ✓ Government authority needs to be in active and alarming state
- ✓ Absence of external influence
- ✓ Organized effort

"Consider becoming an active and responsive partner with us."

ETSC-N Staff Members



Get Involved:

You are **welcome** to extend helping hands in the mission of the ETSC-Nepal. You and your organizations can get involved with our mission in many ways. **Partner with us** in the effort of extending the for needy communities and get involved in making a meaningful difference in the lives of the poor and marginalized.



Interview with school students on Food Security

"Let us extend our helping Hands towards the light of New hope."

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